

Iron County Register

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IRONTON, - - - MISSOURI.

STILLWATER, Minn., has established a 9 o'clock curfew, after which any child found upon the streets is compelled to give an account of itself.

It was reported from Tokio, on the 28th, that Li Hung Chang's wound was progressing favorably, and that an early resumption of the peace conference was expected.

The sultan of Turkey has ordered that the sale or exhibition of portraits of Mr. Gladstone and Prof. Brice, president of the British board of trade, be prohibited in Constantinople.

The police of Victoria, B. C., have decided that bloomers are not suitable for ladies' street wear, even when worn as a bicycle costume, and have taken steps to enforce this decision.

The Manitoba legislature will not deal at present with the parochial schools mandate from Ottawa, as it was decided, on the 25th, by Premier Greenway to adjourn the house till May 9.

On the 28th the British house of lords passed the marquis of Ripon's bill repealing the restrictions upon the Australian colonies regarding the imposition of customs, and the measure received royal assent.

The Minnesota senate passed a joint resolution, on the 29th, looking to the annexation of that part of Wisconsin in which the city of Superior is located to Minnesota, the object being to consolidate the cities of Duluth and Superior.

FIVE members of the board of Iron county, Mich., were arrested, on the 28th, charged with collusion and systematic robbery of the county. A tax-payers' protective association, lately formed, conducted the investigation leading to the arrests.

GEN. MARTINEZ DE CAMPOS, on the 28th, accepted the commission to go to Cuba at the head of the reinforcements to be sent there, and declared that the moment he lands in Cuba he will proceed with operations designed to put down the revolt instantly.

In view of the "untoward event" that had happened, viz: the attempted assassination of Li Hung Chang, the emperor of Japan, on the 29th, declared an unconditional armistice, which it is believed will be effective until peace negotiations are concluded.

The Italian emigration commission in Rome has adjudged that the steamship agents shall indemnify two emigrants who were refused permission to land at New York, and were sent back to that country by the authorities, for the loss sustained by them.

ALL of the election officers and voters, nineteen in number, arrested in New York recently under indictments found by the extraordinary grand jury, were called upon to plead, on the 27th, in the court of oyer and terminer. Without exception they pleaded not guilty.

In Wayne county, on White's creek, 20 miles south of Central City, W. Va., a slide in the mountain near the bed of the creek has exposed large quantities of shining metal, supposed to be silver. Much excitement prevails throughout the section owing to the discovery.

The Spanish government officially announced, on the 25th, that all reports that the war ship Reina Regente had been found submerged in the Straits of Gibraltar were wholly without foundation, and also that neither wreckage nor bodies from the ship had been washed ashore.

ONE HUNDRED employees of the Cleveland (O.) Ship Building Co. went out on strike on the 25th. The company proposed to pay the old hands \$2.37 and new men \$2.25 per day. The strike was for a \$2.50 per day rate. The strikers were employed in the boiler-making department.

A DISPATCH from Constantinople, on the 28th, said the English, French and Russian ambassadors had jointly presented a memorial to the sultan, calling attention to the insecurity of Christians in the province of Diarbekir. In reply the sultan gave assurances that the provincial authorities would be ordered to protect them.

REV. WILLIAM S. BIRCH, presiding elder of the Kokomo Methodist Episcopal district, died, at Logansport, Ind., on the 29th, where he had gone to attend conference. He was seized with a relapse of the grip while preaching on the evening of the 23d, and sank gradually until his death, which occurred on his seventieth birthday anniversary.

DURING the ceremonies at Friedrichshue, on the 26th, in honor of Prince Bismarck, Emperor William, after an address, delivered in a drenching storm, presented the old ex-chancellor with a gold sword. Besides the sword, the emperor presented Prince Bismarck with a seal which was used by his grandfather, Emperor William I.

From advices received from Samoa, under date of the 23d, it is learned that disturbances were still threatened by the rebellious Tautela. Chief Justice Ide had sentenced Charles Thomas Taylor to three months' imprisonment for charging that the rebels were supplied with arms and ammunition by the late Robert Louis Stevenson.

The alleged existence of pleuro-pneumonia in Kansas, as recently claimed by some of the officials of that state, has been thoroughly disproved by the agricultural department, and Dr. Salmon, chief of the bureau of animal industry, authorized the statement, on the 27th, that at no time had there been any foundation for such an assertion.

It is now asserted that the words "not a citizen of any American republic" in Great Britain's ultimatum to Nicaragua, was not intended to bar the United States from a place on the arbitration commission, the phrase "American republics," as ordinarily employed and understood by the foreign office being limited to the smaller republics of Central and South America.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

In the United States court in Boston, on the 26th, Maj. John McDonough, who pleaded guilty of stealing from the mails, was sentenced to five years in state prison. Maj. McDonough was assistant superintendent of the post office in the Boston office, where he had served in various capacities for thirty-one years. He was a prominent mason and enjoyed a spotless war record.

BARRY MINES, the former confidential clerk of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., of New York city, charged with the embezzlement of \$10,000 from that house, pleaded guilty to an indictment of grand larceny before Justice Fitzgerald, on the 26th, and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

ARTHUR B. CHASE, a retired theatrical manager, of Holyoke, Mass., committed suicide, on the night of the 26th, in his apartments in New York city, by shooting himself in the head. He was well known among the profession, having been manager for Edwin Booth and others of note.

The department of state was notified, on the 26th, by cablegram from Osaka, Japan, of the sudden death at Hogo, of Consul Enoch J. Smithers. Mr. Smithers was appointed from Delaware June 1, 1898.

The secretary of war, on the 26th, issued an order placing Paymaster General William Smith on the retired list of the army, by operation of law, with the indorsement that he retires with a complete record of service well performed. Col. Thaddeus M. Stanton was appointed by the president to fill the vacancy.

"INUX" JOE, once a prominent chief of the Ottawa Indian tribe, died in Grand Haven, Mich., on the 25th. He was 75 years old.

It is reported that John Y. McKane, the old-time politician, of Guthrie, Okla., on the 26th, was killed in a fight with a deputy marshal in various parts of the territory. Among them were three murderers, two counterfeiters and six horse-thieves. There are now twenty-eight people in the federal jail charged with counterfeiting.

SIX TALL, roughly-dressed mountaineers held up No. 3 south-bound passenger train on the Cincinnati Southern railway, about a mile above Greenwood, Ky., at 2:30 o'clock on the morning of the 27th. There were three detectives on the train, and in the fight McKane was killed, two deputy marshals were killed and one wounded, the detectives coming off without injury. The three unknown bandits made their escape.

AT 10:35 p. m. of the 27th Iron Mountain train No. 54 was held up at Williamsville, Mo., by two masked robbers who ordered the express messenger to open the safes. The messenger did not have the combination to the through safe, and the local safe contained no money. At this point the robbers became frightened and left, having first possessed themselves of considerable booty consisting of jewelry and cash.

The newly-elected president and vice-presidents of the German reichstag decided, on the 27th, not to apply for the customary audience with the emperor for fear of still further straining the situation, but to merely leave their cards at the palace in the hands of Count Moltke, chief of the protocol.

The Commercial bank of Cincinnati made an assignment, on the 27th, to W. H. Campbell, its cashier, payment on its paper having been suspended by the clearinghouse. It was the oldest banking institution in that city, and its failure is said to be due to long-continued mismanagement.

At the meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, department of Michigan, at Mount Clemens, on the 27th, a collection amounting to \$200 was taken up to assist destitute veterans in drought-stricken Nebraska.

A DISPATCH from Madrid, on the 27th, stated that the Spanish government had decided to send Martinez de Campos with 9,700 additional troops to reinforce the army in Cuba.

AN American named Wendel Read was shot three times and fatally injured in the Northern railway station in Paris, on the 26th, by an Englishman named O'Brien. Both men were bookmakers, and the shooting was the result of a quarrel over money matters.

The Japanese loan of 3,000,000 yen to Korea has fallen through, owing to the refusal of Japan to grant Corea's request that the loan be kept standing for fifteen years.

MRS. FRANK ANNIS perished in her burning home, four miles north of Fenton, Mich., early on the morning of the 27th. She was ill and could not save herself, although two young children escaped uninjured. Neighbors arrived in time to see her rise up in bed as the flames enveloped her, but rescue was impossible.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., was visited by a most destructive conflagration, on the 28th, the flames spreading with great rapidity because of the inadequate water supply. Forty-six residences and stores and many other buildings went down before the all-devouring element, while about 100 families and many guests of hotels were rendered homeless. The aggregate loss is estimated at \$300,000. All the palmetto trees along the sea wall from the fort to Baya lane were killed. The United States troops stationed there worked manfully to extinguish the flames and to save property.

The mayor of Columbus, Ind., on the 25th, ordered a court of inquiry, and had all the ministers of that city served with notices to appear and tell, under oath, what they knew about violations of law. This was done in retaliation for charges uttered about the pupils by John P. Quinn, the reformed gambler, implicating the mayor and other city officials.

FIFTY-SIX buildings were consumed and thirty-four families rendered homeless and desolate by flames which leveled almost the entire business portion of the town of Canasoga, N. Y., on the 28th. The total loss is placed at \$135,000, with insurance between \$80,000 and \$100,000.

SECRETARY CARLISLE left Washington, on the 28th, for Covington, Ky., to be in attendance at the bedside of his brother, George, who was critically ill. Mr. Carlisle's absence, it was said, might be indefinitely prolonged.

The body of Michael Salmon, 79 years old, who had been missing from his home in Cleveland, O., since Christmas, was found, on the 28th, completely encased, excepting one foot, in a huge cake of ice floating in the lake near the shore, which at times had been driven many miles out into the lake and back again by reverse winds.

WILLIAM P. CHALFANT and wife, who left Pittsburgh, Pa., recently on the return trip to Ichow-Fu, China, and who had been sailing the steamship China, from San Francisco, were ordered by the mission board to remain in this country until matters have become settled in China.

The celebrated oil painting by Cassidy Adams, "Custer's Last Fight," was presented to the Seventh cavalry at Fort Riley, Kas., on the 28th, as a gift from Adolphus Busch, of St. Louis. The painting was acquired by Mr. Busch several years ago, and is the same that was exhibited for about ten years in nearly all the large cities of the country.

THE proposed loan of 3,000,000 yen by Japan to Corea was finally arranged, on the 28th, the latter government agreeing to Japan's terms that the loan shall be repaid in five years.

In an interview, on the 28th, in Madrid, Senor Castillo said that the Spanish government was at present in communication with the United States in the Alliance affair, and had ordered the commanders of Spanish cruisers and the colonial authorities to observe international usages in regard to maritime action, with a view to avoiding a conflict with the United States and other powers.

The venerable Mrs. Haughey, mother of Theodore P. Haughey, president of the wrecked Indianapolis national bank, who is now serving a five years' term in the northern Indiana prison, died in Chicago, on the 28th. Mrs. Haughey was 75 years of age. She never knew of her son's disgrace.

LIET. YBARRA has been relieved from command of the Spanish cruiser Conde de Venadito, which fired upon the American steamer Alliance. Capt. Mateus has been appointed to succeed Lieut. Ybarra.

In the Brooklyn city court of oyer and terminer, on the 29th, Justice Brown entered an order dismissing all the pending Gravesend indictments found at the time John Y. McKane was indicted for offenses against the election franchise laws against McKane and Kenneth F. Sutherland.

A number of Brooklyn indictments for similar offenses were also dismissed. FAILURES in the United States for the week ended on the 30th, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., were 234, against 238 for the corresponding week last year.

It was learned on good although not official authority, on the 29th, that the differences between the Canadian premier and Sir Charles H. Tupper had been amicably adjusted. Nothing could be learned, however, as to the nature of the differences or the terms on which the adjustment was reached.

A MASS of dirt and rock in the Sleepy Hollow mine at Central City, Col., fell, on the 29th, and crushed to death two miners named Alfred Martin and Henry Johnson.

REINHOLD SADLER, lieutenant-governor of Nevada, was arrested, on the 28th, in Eureka county, on the charge of embezzlement.

A GASOLINE stove explosion in Chicago, on the 29th, caused the destruction of four buildings and a loss of \$10,000.

A DISPATCH was sent, on the 29th, to the department of the interior at Washington by Gen. J. A. Smith, superintendent of the Yankton reservation in South Dakota, stating that he was unable, with his small force of Indian police, to dislodge the Sioux who refuse to leave the reservation.

WALTER G. SCOTT, a wealthy Chicago real estate dealer, committed suicide, on the 29th, by shooting himself in the breast. Scott had been drinking to excess for a month and was crazed with liquor.

STATE SENATOR ROBERT TURNER, of Clear Creek, Col., a prominent politician of that state, died on the 29th, aged 55.

ANTON CASPER HESING, father of Washington Hesing, the postmaster at Chicago, died suddenly at his residence, on the 31st, of apoplexy. He retired the previous night after finishing his work for the following morning's Staats Zeitung, in apparently good health. Early next morning his attendant noticed something wrong and sent for the postmaster, but the old gentleman died before he arrived.

THE eastern and central portions of the state of Kansas were visited, on the 31st, by copious rains. The rains were very warm, but were closely followed by a blizzard, which caused much apprehension for the safety of the fruit crop, especially peaches and apricots. The rains left the soil in good condition for spring work, which was already well under way.

UNITED STATES SENATOR TINGLE at Brunswick, Germany, in a letter received at the state department on the 31st, suggests that American packers turn their attention to furnishing the German market with horse meat, which he says is used in the largest quantities in that country, and that much on account of the high price of the latter commodities.

EDWARD BRADFORD BARNES, of St. Louis, a prominent young journalist, died at his mother's home in Corning, N. Y., on the 31st, of fever contracted in Cuba, where he went as reporter for the Northwestern Miller newspaper. He was a young man of great promise and the most exemplary character.

THE statement of the associated banks of New York city for the week ended the 30th showed the following changes: Reserves, decrease, \$753,050; loans, decrease, \$2,125,300; specie, increase, \$485,500; legal tenders, decrease, \$2,393,300; deposits, decrease, \$4,087,000; circulation, increase, \$529,300.

PASSENGERS from Santiago de Cuba reported, on the 31st, that two American citizens were dying in prison in that city. According to the passengers' story the imprisoned Americans had all the passports and papers required by law, and their incarceration was declared to be an outrage.

MRS. H. B. LEVY, wife of the president of the Michigan Central railway, dropped dead on the street in Detroit, Mich., on the 30th. The cause of death is given as heart disease.

The associated banks of New York city had \$13,413,450 in excess of the 25-cent rule on the 30th.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Craycroft Said to Be in Mexico.

Ex-Mayor Frank Craycroft, who fled from Sedalia seven years ago, with a shortage of several thousand dollars, due the McCormick Harvesting Co., for which he was general western agent, and who has been missing since, was seen and recognized and talked with in Austin, Tex., recently, by Hugh Fitzgerald, a former Sedalia newspaper man, who had been recently acquainted with Craycroft for years.

Many believed that Craycroft had committed suicide, but the belief now is that he has been engaged in mining in Old Mexico, and has prospered. His family has resided in north Missouri, with relatives, ever since his departure.

A Hard Man to Hold. Says a dispatch sent from Dexter, Sherman, Woodbury, who escaped from the Bloomfield jail Sunday night and was caught Monday afternoon and replaced in jail, escaped again Tuesday night. He pretended to be sick, and when the jailer opened his cell in the morning a dummy was found in Woodbury's bed, Woodbury, after placing it in his bed, concealed himself in an unused cell. After the jailer locked up the dummy Woodbury picked the corridor lock and crawled out through the hole he had made in the wall Sunday night. He is charged with having robbed a jewelry store in Dexter of sixty-six watches.

Silas Durban Pardoned. The governor pardoned Silas, the last of the famous group of outlaws, to leave the state's prison. He was convicted at the March term, 1885, of the Lafayette county criminal court, with his four brothers, Pius, Pres, Amos and William, of burglary and larceny, and sentenced to fifteen years.

The other brothers got shorter terms, and have all served their terms, and gone out. The governor says that there is no reason why Silas should suffer more than the others, and inasmuch as he has been an exceptionally good convict, he grants the pardon.

Murder and Arson. Seven miles south of Cuba the partially charred body of David Hilder, a farmer on the Meramec river, was found in the ruins of his burned house. It is evident that he was murdered and then thrown into the building and the house burned. In the upper part of the trunk buckshot were found, showing that he had first been shot and then his throat cut. Bloody clothing was found on the floor, and the murderers discovered. The verdict of the coroner's jury was "murdered by parties unknown."

Injured in a Runaway. A horse ran off with a buggy at Nevada in which were seated Bert Kinney and Misses Nannie Kinney, Josie Greenstreet and Maud Watt. All of the occupants were thrown out. Miss Watt's right leg was broken between the knee and hip. Miss Greenstreet suffered a sprained wrist, and Miss Kinney was hurt about the head and back.

Chose a Horrible Death. Sam Reed, son of Rev. William Reed, who died suddenly at Trenton, burned himself to death in a building he occupied within 100 feet of the family residence, where the body of his dead sister lay. He had not slept for several nights, and was probably in a morose mood. His mother, aunt and two sisters were at the point of death.

Bound Over for Assault. The preliminary trial of Emmett Switzer and Ora Boone, at Excelsior Springs, charged with assaulting R. L. Morton, a teamster, who died as a result of the wound, came up the other day. Boone was acquitted and Switzer was bound over to await the action of the grand jury in June.

A Monster Dynamo. A St. Louis street railway company has contracted for a mammoth generator dynamo. Total weight, 130,000 pounds; weight of armature, 95,000 pounds. Cost, about \$25,000.

Courtesy-Hanckel. Miss Etta Hancock, who was recently awarded judgment for \$3,500 against Prof. Blackwell for slander, was married in Charleston county to Mr. M. F. Courtney.

Abandoned the Courthouse. The Ray county courthouse has become unsafe, and the sheriff has ordered all officers to vacate. The building is of brick, and was erected forty years ago.

E. C. Meacham. E. C. Meacham, president of the Meacham Arms Co., St. Louis, died recently, aged 50. He was born in Massachusetts and settled in St. Louis in 1869.

Hanged Himself. John T. Wolff, a cigar-maker, aged 42, who resided at 1510 Iowa avenue, St. Louis, hanged himself with a clothes line. He was found by his wife.

Thomas W. First Honors. Thomas L. Anderson, of Louisiana, representing Central college at Fayette, won first honors in the Missouri inter-collegiate oratorical contest at Kansas City.

Groom, 76; Bride, 16. Wm. Swenson, aged 76, of Fairland, L. T., and Miss Zena Taylor, aged 16, of Southwest City, were married at Nesho. The groom is reported rich.

Cut Off His Head. Willie McGraw, 4, son of Walter McGraw, 406 North Eleventh street, St. Louis, was run over by an electric car and his head severed.

Boy Drowned. Louis Martin, aged 8, and a companion, attempted to cross a creek in Pettis county, when their boat filled, and young Martin was drowned.

An Aged Bachelor. Joseph Boyer, a bachelor, aged 55, quite wealthy, died near Sedalia a few days ago. He is believed to have had several thousand dollars buried.

In a Runaway. Mrs. S. E. Spayde, near Nevada, was perhaps fatally injured by a runaway team colliding with her wagon, pitching her out head first.

J. B. Old. Capt. J. B. Old, representative in the state legislature from Oregon county, died the other day. His illness was of short duration.

A Golden Jubilee. The North Presbyterian church, Eleventh and Chambers street, St. Louis, celebrated its fifth anniversary the other day.

MISSOURI LEGISLATURE.

JEFFERSON CITY, March 29.—SENATE.—Mr. Freeman's house bill restricting the state into congressional districts, which had been reported unfavorably, was, on motion of Senator Dunn, postponed indefinitely yesterday.

House bill, taken up for third reading and passed. (The bill provides that midwives and nurses, or any others in charge of infants, shall report to physicians or the board of health in cases where the eyes of newly-born infants seem to be affected.)

HOUSE.—The senate election bill was defeated, the republicans voting solidly against it, and the democrats for the measure.

The house accepted the oil painting of David Barton, presented by Mr. A. P. Barton, of Kansas City, and \$50 was appropriated to frame and hang the picture in the hall of the state house of representatives.

[David Barton was president of the convention which ratified the admission of Missouri into the Union by accepting the terms prescribed by the act of congress; and was also one of the first attorneys general of the state, and the first house of representatives after its admission; was the reputed author of the constitution, and was the first senator elected to represent Missouri in the senate of the United States.]

JEFFERSON CITY, March 29.—The Thirty-eighth general assembly of Missouri adjourned at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, as soon as it became definitely known that the senate and house could not agree upon an election bill, nothing remained but to read and compare the enrolled bills and adjourn.

Claiming Her Dower Right. A legal sensation was sprung at Sedalia yesterday, and further developments are awaited with anxiety. In the early history of Sedalia the late ex-Mayor William P. Jackson owned considerable land within what is now the corporate limits of the city, among other tracts being the half block extending from Ohio to Oregon streets, and from Second street to the alley on the north, now covered with two and three-story brick business houses. The property is among the most valuable in the city, and at a conservative estimate worth \$150,000. In 1866 this tract of ground was sold by Mr. Jackson to various parties, and a deed to the same was given by him, but Mrs. Jackson did not sign the document and hence retained her dower, or one-third interests. A few days ago W. D. Steele was retained by Mrs. Jackson to enforce her claim, and the matter was laid before Receiver Latimer and his attorney, Judge W. S. Shirk, who have in charge the interests of the First national bank, now defunct, which formerly occupied the Second and Ohio street corner.

They at once recognized the justice of Mrs. Jackson's claim and effected a compromise with her that resulted in her relinquishing her dower in that particular piece of property. As to the amount paid the parties interested are not at all sure. An effort will be made to compromise with the remaining property holders in the block, but in the event of failure suit will be instituted in the widow's behalf. There are other pieces of property in Sedalia in which Mrs. Jackson still retains a power, but neither she nor her attorney is ready to describe them at present, and it is for this reason that many realty owners are anxious.

State Gleannings. Robert H. Hogan, aged 35, died suddenly at Louisiana, Mo., yesterday.

Dr. Frank Thilly and Miss Jessie Mathews were married at Columbus.

Capt. William Jackson, aged 80, hanged himself at Kahoka. He was in ill health.

Thomas Montow, an insane man living near Paris, was captured after a desperate fight with the sheriff and posse.

A panic was the result of a small blaze at Seicher's hotel, Sedalia. The prompt arrival of the fire companies saved the house.

The Atlanta state bank has incorporated with a capital of \$10,000. W. J. Dearing, A. C. Gooding and S. H. Abbott are the officers.

M. Dickerson, an insurance agent traveling out of New York, was placed in jail at Mexico on a charge of fraud, but was later released.

The Third regiment in Kansas City will disband, according to rumor, because the legislature refused to make the necessary appropriation.

A new banking company has been organized at Brownington. It will open for business as soon as the fixtures are in place. Mr. Davis is president.

An organized band of youthful burglars that has been operating in the smaller towns has been discovered in St. Joseph. Homer Kellogg and George Moberly were arrested.

Rev. Alexander Allen, who recently tendered his resignation as pastor of the Episcopal church at Sedalia, announces that he has accepted a call to the Episcopal church at Springfield, Ill.

A committee left Lebanon recently for Jefferson City to confer with citizens in regard to the extension of the Lebanon branch railroad from Baggett to Lebanon, less than 40 miles.

Elmore Eliza, who travels for a Philadelphia publishing house, got drunk at Kansas City, and after driving his wife from the rooms, smashed the furniture and shot holes in the ceiling. When arrested he said he was a friend of Ed Butler, of St. Louis.

A revival meeting is in progress at the Christian church, El Dorado Springs. It is conducted by Rev. R. H. Love, of El Dorado Springs, assisted by the railroad evangelist, W. E. Harlow, of Parsons, Kas. Rev. Harlow is known all over the state of Kansas. He was at one time an engineer.

OLD AND SPRY. A LIVELY old farmer is Nathan White, of Rutherford county, N. C. Last June he was one hundred years of age, and he still has the heaviest farm work, plowing, etc.

MR. AND MRS. F. A. HUMPHREY, of Shopley, Wis., have celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary. Mr. Humphrey is ninety-four years old and his wife is a year younger. They are supposed to be the oldest married couple in Wisconsin.

FARMER JONATHAN SCOTT ELLIS, of Hamilton county, who was one hundred and third birthday will be August 10 next, is the oldest man in Maine. He was a soldier during the war of 1812 and has voted at every presidential election since he cast his first vote for James Monroe, the fifth president of the United States.

BLOODIN is, in his old age, a sturdy, thick-set man. His habits have always been abstemious, and he is well preserved at seventy-two. Bloodin has walked thousands of miles on the rope, but has never made another trip so daring as that across Niagara Falls, and he has never exceeded the fame he made by that perilous journey.

MANITOBAN AFFAIRS.

The Attempt to Break Up the Public School System by the Home Government at Ottawa Strongly Resisted by the Orange and Protestant Population of the Province.—The Resolution to Adjourn the Local Legislature.

WINNIPEG, Man., March 29.—The surprising and sensational feature of the school question difficulty, was the announcement, yesterday, that the government had decided to adjourn the legislature to-day until May 1st. It had been considered certain that consideration of the remedial order would be proceeded with yesterday or to-day, but Premier Greenway announced in the house yesterday afternoon that adjournment had been decided upon. He declared that the government did not see any reason whatever to change its position or its opinion in regard to the school system of the province, despite the order to do so from Ottawa. The remedial order issued by the government raised for the first time constitutional questions exceeding in gravity any proposition or amendment of the terms of peace. The remedial order issued by the government raised for the first time constitutional questions exceeding in gravity any proposition or amendment of the terms of peace.

In view of these facts it had been decided to adjourn the house. The government had already opened communications with the local house and submitted to them for their advice some of the chief points affecting the jurisdiction of the legislature.

The premier was asked whether the Dominion government would be likely to take this proposition into consideration of the local house as a refusal on the part of the province to act in the matter of the order, and replied that no such construction could be put upon the adjournment, inasmuch as the provincial government was taking the order into consideration.

Catholic members of the legislature say the government is merely trying to shirk their responsibility, and that adjournment is merely a subterfuge.

The orangemen of Manitoba, in mass meeting assembled yesterday, passed the following resolutions unanimously:

Resolved, That we view with the greatest alarm the state of affairs which exists between the Dominion and the local governments, and we desire to express our approval of the action taken by our representative in the provincial legislature in Manitoba, in support of our rights and privileges in looking for no interference by the central government in our educational affairs; and we call upon the Dominion government to support no candidates for the house of commons or the local legislature who will not unconditionally pledge themselves to defend the breaking up of our public school system, and the imposing upon us and our children the accursed system of separate and sectarian schools.

It is proposed to hold a monster convention of all religious and political bodies in Winnipeg shortly to discuss the question.

THEIR DOOM SEALED. Gen. De Campos to Go to Cuba and Put Down the Patriots' Rebellion.

MADRID, March 29.—Gen. Martinez de Campos has accepted the commission to go to Cuba at the head of the reinforcements which are to be sent there, and has declared that the moment he lands in Cuba he will proceed with operations designed to put down the revolt instantly.

There is a great deal of irritation in official circles over allegations that Americans are supporting the insurgents by supplying them with money, arms, etc.

The government yesterday forwarded \$2,000,000 to Cuba. The troops are rapidly being concentrated at their respective ports of embarkation. Six merchant steamers have been chartered for use as transports and will sail from Cadiz, Valencia, Corunna and Santander with troops and war material some time between April 2 and 18.

CAPT. CROSSMAN DENIES. Another Report Sent Out from Havana, and Calls a Witness.

PANAMA, March 29.—The Star and Herald publishes a report of an interview with Capt. Crossman of the steamship Alliance, in which he gives a flat denial to the story sent out from Havana about his being the insurgent Maceo on board and being captured at Sandy Hook. Capt. Crossman expresses the wish that the pilot who was on board at the time would say whether or not a landing did take place at Sandy Hook. He took the pilot on board yesterday before the ship reached Sandy Hook. The captain declares that he has not seen Maceo and does not know him.

THE BLOOD OF LI HUNG CHANG. Cheerfully Offered on the Altar of Peace, for Which Prospects Are Brightening.

PARIS, March 29.—The European edition of the Herald prints to-day a dispatch from Paris, its correspondent at Simonoski, who quotes Li Hung Chang as saying on his sick bed: "If my blood can aid in bringing about peace I give it cheerfully."

"This sentiment has produced a good effect," says the Herald's correspondent. "There certainly are better prospects of peace. All Japan feels the shock of the outrage, and the condemnation of the police is general among all classes. It is understood that Li's assailant will be condemned to penal servitude for life."

ARMS FOR THE CUBANS. Several Shipments Said to Have Been Made from the United States.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The state department has been advised that three shipments of arms have been made within the past few weeks from the United States to the insurgents in Cuba. In one case the arms were sent from Philadelphia to Savannah. They were transferred at that point to the small fishing smack of ten or fifteen tons burden and carried to the east coast of Cuba, to the province of Santiago de Cuba.